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### RED HANLAN WANTED A CUT OF TORONTO MEN'S WINNINGS

Toronto—On this date in 1882, amateurs and especially Toronto fans were celebrating the signal victory of Ned Hanlan the Toronto oarsman, over T. H. C. Australia (overcoming the rowing championship of the world). A good deal of Toronto money had been called to London to be bet on Hanlan and when the word of his victory came there was naturally much rejoicing among those who had backed his claimings to Toronto. To Harry Good, then sporting editor of the Mail, one of his assistants then was Phil D. Ross, later and still editor of the Ottawa Journal, who was commended to act as fully as the names of the winners were read out before the money was handed over. Mr. Ross has told what happened better than I can. There is his story.

Good opened the proceedings with a little speech about Hanlan, which naturally met with enthusiastic approbation, ending in the upturning of one of the principal features with a cry of "Three cheers for Hanlan, which came off nobly, with a tiger added. In the middle of the cheering in came a hotel boy with a telegram for Good. Harry opened it and read it. For a moment he looked nonplussed. He glanced around as if for somebody to show it to. He scratched his head. The room had died down in its silence. Good was a shrewd fellow and I never knew him to make much of a mistake in tactics but this once.

But he certainly rang the bell in the Shakespeare hotel that day. He said in a weak voice: I have a telegram from Mr. Whitfoot, (editor of the London Sportsman), suppose I ought to read it. I have forgotten the exact words but it was evidently intended for Good's private consumption. How Hanlan came to blurt it out he admitted afterwards he did not know. The telegram was blunt. It was to the effect that Hanlan had suggested that Good should collect. I am not sure that the word was not deducted to per cent of the winnings as a little gift for him. As the cable proposition sank into the comprehension of the betting men there was a general howl of rage, speckled with curses. And I think it was the man who had led the three cheers and a tiger for Hanlan who jumped up again and roared: What the hell does Hanlan take us for?

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Old Jack Quinn, dean of the major leagues has been given his unconditional release by the Brooklyn Dodgers. He is 47 years old and during his long career has seen service in world series with Yankees and Athletics, besides playing with Red Sox, Brooklyn and Baltimore in the defunct Federal league. Passing of Quinn leaves Dintlegers and Urban Faber the only two spitballers in the majors. Reference to Grimes reminds that the old boy's salary will be apparently fit again. He blanketed Cincinnati with three hits recently.

Another veteran Ray Caldwell, who just quit a pitching career, which carried him through the major and leading minor leagues. He was one of baseball's mysteries as he never took the slightest care of himself being just as likely to roll into bed at 10 o'clock in the morning as at 10 o'clock at night. But he pitched good ball until he was 45 years old.

Schoolboy Rowe, Detroit's much heralded rookie, was knocked out of the box recently. He will probably be sent to Toronto ere long.

### EAST AND WEST CLASH IN MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

New York: Earlier than ever before eastern and western clubs clash on eight major league fronts, and when the first inter sectional encounters are ended two weeks hence fans should have a fair estimate of the comparative strength of every club.

Schedules drafted to liven the game by furnishing more rapidly changing opponents bring the four western National league clubs in to the east and shift the four eastern American league outfits to the west two weeks earlier than usual.

Of paramount interest are the New York Yankees invasion of the west and the Pittsburgh Pirates swing through the east. The Yankees are slated for three games at Detroit, three at Cleveland, four at Chicago and three at St. Louis while Pittsburgh plays two most contests with the Phillies, then three games with Brooklyn, three with Boston and four with the Giants.

On pre season predictions and in early season play in their own areas the Yanks and Pirates appeared the strongest aggregations in their leagues. If the Yankees can make a better showing during their western swing than Washington apparently their strongest opposition and if the Pirates can maintain their leadership at the expense of the Giants Brooklyn, Boston and the Phillies the probability of a Yankee-Pirates world series will decrease.

In the earliest inter sectional game in National league history the Pirates opened their eastern invasion impressively by crushing the Phillies 10 to 6. While Bill Swain allowed the Phils nine cleverly scattered hits the cornals pounded Collins, Moore, Liska and Butler for 17 including home runs by Rhod Vaneau and Earl Grace with the bases loaded. The Phils were shut out for the first time this season and lost the services of left fielder Hal Lee who injured his leg trying to catch a liner.

## Heard on The Street

Jack met Sandy on the street and casually announced that he was going to send over a hen for his friend's Sunday dinner. A long time passed and the hen was not forthcoming. Finally the friend said: Jack, what about the chicken? Jack groined in his memory. Chookie! Oh, aye, I mind now. I've to speak the truth you chookie got better.

Particular Old Lady: Are those eggs fresh?  
Grocer: Here boy, see if those eggs are cool enough to sell.

Doctor: Now before I examine you, may I ask what you drink?  
Ernie Whitehead: Thank you, doctor. A very small snail and will do for me nicely, thank you kindly, and remember a very small soda.

The bus conductor handed back the shilling to the woman passenger. That coin is no good madam, he told her. It's apurton.  
Ridiculous she said, examining the coin. Why it's dated 1921. Someone would surely have noticed it before this if it were bad.

Mrs. Newlywed— Have you any shrimps this morning?  
George Smith— Shmups? What are they?  
Mrs. Newlywed— I don't know but my husband used to talk about



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slimings in the market so I thought I'd try one.

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My family can trace its ancestry back to William the Conqueror.  
Next you'll be telling me that they came over with Columbus.  
Certainly not! My people had a boat of their own.

Son: I say mother, you remember you said the dentist was painless.  
Mother: Well?  
Son: He isn't! When I bit his finger he yelled like mad.

A Hollywood gentleman whose sweetheart happens to be a great admirer of blooded canines sent her a pair of Christmas garbs in fast with miniature medallion portraits of his prize winning Alroide.  
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A pretty young American girl, crossing the ocean on the same steamer with Marshal Joffe asked him if he had ever killed a German.  
Yes replied the Marshal.  
With which hand? she asked.  
With my right hand he replied, whereupon she raised his right hand to her lips and kissed it.  
A British officer standing near her promptly exclaimed: I've killed two Germans.  
With which hand? the girl asked. I bit them to death was the unblushing reply.

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SUGAR TAX  
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The Hassanai Mail says the present federal administration will long be remembered for the imposition of a tax which is proving most unpopular with the great majority of Canadians. At best, taxes are never what could be called really popular but the two cent tax on sugar has roused a storm of protest from opposition members and is being condemned by newspaper editors and the public in general.

Sugar has become one of our necessities of life, and in placing a tax on it the government is calling upon the poor man to pay as much as the wealthy for there is little variation in the amount of sugar used by the poor and the wealthy classes. The latter are easily able to pay it but to the poor the sugar tax brings more hardship to life already burdened with hardships.

The government explains that it is in need of more funds. Taxing sugar is one way to increase revenues, but it would seem that the same result could be achieved by further taxation of some of the luxuries such as tobacco and alcoholic beverages rather than a necessity like sugar.

SOUND  
MANAGEMENT

It is refreshing in these troublous times to find evidence of care-

ful and conscientious management in public bodies and the smaller towns in Alberta, furnished a vivid illustration of the advantages of a capable administration continued over a period of years.

Commissioner Stephenson has prepared some figures from the financial statements of twelve Alberta towns and from those figures some interesting facts emerge. The towns included are towns north of Newell, with population from one thousand to three thousand. They are: Red Deer, population 2291; Stettin 1219; Drumheller 2287; Vegreville 1638; Canmore 2258; High River 1425; Macleod 1447; Hanna 1709; Innisfail 1924; Okla 1056; Claresholm 1156; and Lacombe 1229. The statements of all these towns are good, and Red Deer compares very favorably with any of them. Of the twelve nine of them have money in the bank and only three have any bank liability at all. In fact, when all the 1932 payments due to school and hospital districts are deducted there is still a credit cash balance among the twelve of more than \$25,000. In addition to these towns 134 others with a population of 500 have \$18,688.56 in the bank, and there are doubtless many other communities in first class financial shape. It is a remarkable achievement at any time for any public body to show a surplus, subject as it is to continual pressure from interested parties for expenditures favorable to themselves.

For not one public body but a dozen, to show favorable statements in a time of serious financial difficulty is almost unheard of, but that is what has been done by these Alberta towns, and the rate payers in Red Deer and the other towns are deeply indebted to the Mayors, Councilors and Secretary-Treasurers who have given their skill and time for the benefit of their fellow citizens.

Compare this administration with that of the big financial organizations in the east, the pulp and paper industry, say, and the balance is heavily on the side of the small Alberta communities. In fact, it is doubtful whether any of the larger cities could show figures as good. It is a fine record—Red Deer Advocate.

PEOPLE AT  
MERCY OF  
RUBBER DOLLAR

The Monitor says there are two attributes to the dollar that are of paramount interest to society. One is its weight. The other is its value. Which is the more important? Americans in general would say value.

The answer is predicated on daily experience. Americans in the last week or two have had to be reminded that they have been using a dollar which is static in its weight in gold. They have been told that it is a 23.22 grains of fine gold dollar. Does this mean anything to the average American? Not very much. He is not interested in how much gold is in the dollar. He cannot eat gold. He cannot use it for clothing. And he certainly cannot fashion it into shelter. Yet food, clothing and shelter constitute his economic existence. What interests him, therefore, is what the dollar is worth in these.

The command of the dollar over such commodities, however, is not static. It varies with the market. This instability is the cause of more disturbance than almost any other factor. People are at the mercy of a rubber dollar which stretches and contracts in the dark. Its elasticity can change all economic relationships. When it stretches in its command over goods and services it will ruin debtors, who as the country's producers have to go into debt to have them produce. When it contracts, it ruins the creditors. Such flexibility is obviously unfair. It is a challenge to human management.

Monetary reformers like Prof. Irving Fisher would have the country accept the challenge. In his recent speech at Chicago Prof. Fisher pleaded again for its acceptance. Value or weight? The value is clearly the factor that counts. Deflation in the last three years has brought many converts to Professor Fisher's camp. For the curious thing about the collapse of the dollar on the scale was needed in the last three years or deflation, is that creditors are not so fortunate as theory would make them out to be.

One of the leading creditors of

the country is Senator James Coussens, and he was constrained to say during the currency debate in the Senate that to creditors today the question is not what brand of money creditors shall receive, but whether they shall receive any money. Ask landlords and mortgage holders and bankers to close up on the truth of this observation. In all probability many of them would agree with the Senator. Such a serious declaration as a country has gone through may have added a fortuitous addition to the value of the debt dollar. But at the same time and by the same token it has made debt dollars scarcer.

The aim of any management of the value of the dollar should clearly be to make it stable. Neither debtor nor creditor is entitled to benefits in purchasing power which were not stated in original contracts. Stability should therefore become a goal specifically striven for by governments. To achieve it would be a difficult task, but judging from present agitation, the job must some day or other be handed over to the Federal Reserve System. Sweden has shown the way in this respect, and the technique should be carefully studied.

## NEWS NOTES

Canadian railway salaries have experienced a sharp rise over the past few years. This has applied to directors as well as to the workers on the trains and along the lines. The recently issued annual report of the C. P. R. announced that E. W. Beatty, Chairman and President of the C. P. R., had instituted a special cut of 15 per cent on all annual salaries of the company's directors. This makes the decline in earnings keen.

Nipigon River's famous speckled trout don't know it yet but the season has just started. Non-residents shall pay only \$2.50 an all annual license. This is about half the charge hitherto. Further, Nipigon guides will offer their services this year for \$25.00 a week as against \$25.00 in 1932. These trout in the Nipigon pool and in those off the islands at its mouth including the license, run to seven pounds and up.

Canadian Pacific liner Empress of Japan recently hung up a new speed record when she travelled the 2225 miles from Honolulu to Victoria in four days, six hours and three minutes, clipping seven hours, 47 minutes off her best mark for any Pacific liner except the Empress of Canada.

The literary hit of the year has been made by Frederick Niven, Canadian author, living near Nelson, B.C., whose "Mrs. Barry" has been recently hailed by authorities as one of the most profoundly moving books ever written. Mr. Niven, who this breaks into the ranks of best sellers, earlier in the century handled baggage and freight for the Canadian Pacific Railway at Nelson.

H. P. Mathews, general manager, Canadian Pacific hotels in western Canada, with headquarters at Winnipeg, has been promoted general manager of the company's hotel system from coast to coast, with headquarters in Montreal, according to a recent announcement by E. W. Beatty, chairman and president of the railway.

It is necessary to go back to the year 1916 to find revenues of the Canadian railways on a level comparable with 1932. The following figures show that in 1932 as compared with 1916:

Railway Operating Revenues	Decreased 5.9%
Railway Operating Expenses	Increased 20.9%
Net Revenue from Railway Operations	Decreased 50.6%
Railway Tax Accruals	Increased 135.7%
Net Railway Operating Income	Decreased 58.3%
Railway Property Investment	Increased 34.6%
Rate of Return on Investment	Decreased 69.0%
Revenue Per Foot Ton Mile	Decreased 28.3%
Revenue Passenger Miles	Increased 59.3%
Actual Gross Ton Miles	Decreased 17.2%
Payroll of Engine and Train Service Employees and Telegraphers	Increased 21.5%
Train Miles	Decreased 22.2%

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Miss Helen Hackett of Drumheller is visiting with her sister Mrs. C. H. Hugh.

The Women's Institute has started a girls club under the supervision of Mrs. E. Wirt. The girls are very enthusiastic about it as shown by the number who have enrolled. At the meeting held on Saturday April 29th Nena Larson was elected president, Muriel Lee vice president, Esther Costello, Secretary, Treasurer, auditors, Ruth Neve and Edith Costello, Directors. Edna Kimmitt and Olga Nelson. Meetings will be held on the last Saturday afternoon of every month.

Mr. Jens Costello has gone to Calgary to spend a month at the Technical School prior to writing his nursing exams in June at Drumheller.

Our train service has changed to one train a week. The mail is brought from Rockyford by bus.

The Women's Institute held its meeting for this month at the home of Mrs. Fred Christensen. Mrs. Christensen taught the ladies how to make tailored buttonholes.

There will not be any more shows until Friday May 19th when the picture will be "Racing Youth". We hope the shows continue coming as they are thoroughly enjoyed.

Mr. and Mrs. Knowlton and daughter Gwennie have left for a trip east and on their return they will stop at Chicago for a short visit at the World's Fair.

Congratulations are being extended to Mr. and Mrs. Lee Larson on the arrival of a son, May 4th.

The lawyer had returned home after an important case in which he had been defending a man charged with murder.

He was acquitted, beamed the lawyer.

Wonderful. On what grounds?

Insanity. I proved that his father had spent five years in a lunatic asylum.

But he hadn't had he?

Yes-said the barrister, he was a doctor there, but I saw no need to bring that fact out.

Hasn't after a narrow escape at a railroad crossing?— "What's your blow ya' hon. At air-wise do ya no good."

"Tut tut, but I saw no need to bring that fact out."

Has Gabrielle?

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